

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2560 without my signature.

This bill requires the Department of General Services (DGS) to establish criteria for ranking the environmental and energy benefits and costs resulting from procuring medium- and heavy-duty vehicles by state and local governments.

DGS is currently in the process of implementing last year's AB 236 (Lieu) for passenger and light-duty vehicles and is in the process of implementing its new Fleet Asset Management System, which will give them important new tools to oversee the state's fleet and gather information on fuel efficiency and emissions reductions.

This bill would impose significant costs upon DGS to develop this new program for medium- and heavy-duty vehicles, yet the bill provides no appropriation to implement its provisions. This creates a General Fund pressure which, during this fiscal crisis, would be an irresponsible action.

For these reasons, I cannot support this measure.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger